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from The Principal's Pen.....

Dear Parents and Caregivers

INTRODUCING STYMIE



Hervey Bay State Schools are working together to deal with issues of bullying using a consistent and proven strategy – STYMIE.

Stymie currently operates in our high schools, and as a cluster of schools we have agreed to introduce STYMIE into the primary sector.

Stymie encourages bystanders (your children), to help and support their peers by making anonymous notifications using their site. These notifications will be about students who are experiencing bullying or harm. The notifications can include evidence such as screen shots of Facebook conversations, or text messages, and are automatically forwarded to the appropriate staff member at Pialba State School. The first conversation we

have, will be with the student who is experiencing harm - they will know they are not alone.

Pialba State School is committed to harnessing the power of bystanders to change the 'culture of acceptance' of bullying in our community, a problem even the government admits is endemic amongst our youth.

Stymie is working with Pialba State School to reduce harassment and to teach your children socially responsible behaviour in the cycle of bullying. Pialba State School will also be encouraging our students to use Stymie to report other welfare concerns they may have, in support of their peers or themselves.

Rachel Downie, Director of Stymie, will be presenting at **Pialba State School** on Monday 11th June for students in Years 5 & 6, and for **Hervey Bay parents** at 6:00pm on Monday 11th June, in our school hall; and again on Wednesday 13th June, at Kawungan State School commencing at 2:00pm.

Her parent session is entitled 'Getting Your Techno Power Back: Five Things You Can Do Tonight.' This is a candid session, which details how you can set guidelines for your child's use of technology in your home. Rachel will also outline how Stymie is going to be used here at Pialba State School by our students, to support their peers.

Did you know? The word stymie means to stop or thwart. We want it to stop. And so do our kids.

More information can be found at Stymie and their Facebook page.

FEEDBACK ON NAPLAN - PARENTS TO HAVE THEIR SAY!

As you may be aware, the Queensland Minister for Education has publicly announced an evaluation of NAPLAN in the Queensland context. As NAPLAN has now been in operation nationally for a decade, Minister Grace is keen to hear the views and experiences of Queensland parents.

A public parent survey is now open for the next several weeks and can be accessed here:

<https://aed.qld.gov.au/programs-initiatives/naplan-2018-review>

I encourage parents to have their voice and complete the online survey. School staff will be given this opportunity in the coming weeks.

J A Robinson

Judy Robinson - Principal

Great state. Great opportunity.

COMING EVENTS...



**Monday
11th June**

School Assembly
Prep - Year 6
9:00am - 9:30am
School Hall



**Tuesday
19th June**

Under 8's Day
Prep Block
9:00am-10:30am



**Thursday
28th June**

Pyjama Disco
Prep-Yr 2 - 5:00pm
Yr3-Yr 6 - 6:30pm
\$5.00 entry



**Friday
29th June**

Free Dress Day
'Red' theme
RED NOSE DAY
Fundraising



**Friday
29th June**

Last Day of Term 2



**Monday
16th July**

First Day of Term 3



Always Our Best
♦ Be a Learner
♦ Be Safe
♦ Be Respectful
♦ Be Responsible







SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S READING

How Can You Help Support Your Child's Reading At Home?

At Pialba State School, we use a variety of reading comprehension strategies to help our students make meaning from texts. QAR comprehension strategies are one-framework children can use to guide them through the different ways of thinking about a text. There are four components to QAR questioning;

QAR - What kind of question is it?

<p>Right there The answer can be found right there in the text.</p> 	<p>Think and search The answer is in the text but it may not use the same language that is used in the question and you may have to look in different places to find it.</p> 
<p>Author and me The answer is not in the text. You need to use your own background knowledge and what the author has told you to come up with the answer.</p> 	<p>On my own The answer is not in the text. You need to use your own background knowledge. You could even answer the question without reading the text. The question must 'stand alone'.</p> 

QAR Question Prompts

On My Own

- What do you already know about ... ? (use the title to help with the topic)

Author and Me

- Look at the cover (topic, title, illustrations) ... What do you think this story might be about?

Right There

- Who is the main character?
- Where does this story take place?

Think and Search

- What has ... done so far?
- What was the problem and how was it resolved?

Author and Me

- What do you think will happen next?
- What do you think the character is feeling?

Think and Search

- What were the important events in the story?

Author and Me

- At the beginning you predicted that ...
- What was the author's message?
- Do you think that this would really happen in real life? Tell me why.

On My Own

- Would you like to find another story about ... ?

When reading at home with your children, you can support their comprehension skills by asking them a variety of questions about the text. These can be asked before they start reading, during reading and after reading. The above are some question starters you may like to try with your readers at home.



STAR HOME READING

Congratulations to the following students for achieving 25, 50 & 75 nights of home reading. At Pialba State School, we aim for five nights of reading per week. Keep reaching for the reading stars!

Prep	Layla Martin - PK Phoebe Spano - PK Siehra Ledgard Thomas - PK Phoenix Koch-Duck - PK Ayva Morel - PK Wyatt Mitchell - PK Michael Johnson - PK Oscar Lennox - PK	Abigail Ash - PK Bodhi Bailey - PK Imogen Nudd - PK Miguel Lomeda - PK Leilani Kingston - PK Laura Reymers - PK Tyler Davis - PK
Year 1	Korie Kotevski - 1EM Willloh Hosking - 1EM Liam Tuck - 1SV Locky Hobbs - 1/2B Mindi Morgan - 1/2 B Matthew Abelson - 1/2 B Mathias Woloch - 1/2B Billy Hickey - 1SM Ruby Jamieson - 1SM Leyland Forbes - 1SM Dashiell Thompson - 1SM Sienna Piggott - 1SM Liam Tuck - 1SM Aiden Witteman - 1SM (100 Nights of Reading) Lakin Witteman - 1SM (100 Nights of Reading)	
Year 2	Zac Oakman - 2/3T Jesse Semple - 2/3T Alicia Watsford - 2SV Kate Baker - 2SV	
Year 3	Matthew Page - 3S Matthew Hoare - 3K Abbi Jackson - 3K Summer Warren - 3K Lilah Jensen - 3K Emily Stevenson - 3K	

Kylie Foord - Master Teacher

Mrs Drury's Diary

Congratulations to Sammy Witter who was recently selected in the Wide Bay Cross Country team. Sammy improved her previous times significantly and is showing great development in understanding how to pace herself in a long distance race. Sammy will compete in the State Championships on the Sunshine Coast in July. Good Luck, Sammy!

Next Friday, June 15th, we have a team of students travelling to Maryborough to participate in the annual Special Education Soccer Carnival. Students will be training at lunch breaks with Mrs Carige next week. Just a reminder to return your notes if this has not yet been done.

There is a change to the Community Access Program next week. Students will be attending an All Abilities Dance class or ten pin bowling, instead of the school activities on the program sent out at the start of the term. This is because they will be unable to do these excursions the following week due to the school sports carnival. The program this term has been an outstanding success. Recent weeks have seen the students attend excursions to Coles and the public Library as well as some Social Skills activities at school. The peer buddies from Year 5 attending with the students with disabilities have been excellent role models and peer supports.

The SEP garden has been thriving in the cooler weather. This week, the students have picked and sold tomatoes and passion fruit. They also picked corn which they used to make corn fritters in cooking classes conducted as part of the Community Access program.

Anne Drury - Head of Special Education Services

HEALTH & P.E. NEWS

Hi everyone. Two weeks to go until the Pialba State School athletics carnival. There will be 2 days of track and field activities, and competition between the students of the 4 sport houses. This year sees some changes to the carnival. I plan to have the program out by the end of the weekend to accommodate those parents that need to make arrangements to come and watch their students compete. As of next week, the children will be learning their house war cries before school for the big days. Keep an eye out for more information in the very near future.....

Term 3 looks to be even busier than the previous 6 months. Students will have their usual H&PE lessons, but will also have Swimming lessons at Elders, as well as a visit from the Life Education Unit. Towards the end of the Term, we also have the second Year 5/6 GALA day of sports, and the Year 3/4 GALA day of sports. Not to mention, any students that achieve well at the Athletics Days will be given the chance to go and represent Pialba SS at the District Athletics day to try and make the Hervey Bay Schools Team. There will also be after school District trials for Cricket (boys and Girls) and Girls AFL in Term 3. Lots to look out for....

Finally, a reminder about AFL Auskick. 'Come and Try' afternoon was yesterday and it was good to see a great turnout. In speaking to Kyle, he was excited at the numbers that attended. The flyer is on the back of this newsletter, but spares are in the school office if you wish to know more.

Mr Hill - H&PE teacher

DENTAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT

The Dental Clinic is open Tuesday and Wednesday.

We have sent out Year 5 & Prep Medical forms. If your child in Year 5 or Prep hasn't returned their form, and you would like them seen, please return it ASAP so they don't miss out.

We will be seeing Years 1 & 2 as the year progresses.

Please keep an eye out for a form in your child's bag.



Dental Staff

Book Club



Reading has never been more fun!

This week your child will be bringing home our **Issue 3 Book Club** flyer from Scholastic.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ORDERS ARE DUE BY NEXT **WEDNESDAY 13th JUNE.**

Order forms and payment should be placed in an envelope with the child's name and class clearly written on the front.

Please hand orders to Miss Lewis in the LIBRARY.

If you wish to pay by credit card, our school has opted-in to the LOOP (Linked Online Ordering & Payment) system which allows you order and pay online. LOOP orders will be delivered to the school with all other orders.

Bronwyn Lewis - Teacher Librarian

STUDENT COUNCIL EVENTS!

PYJAMA DISCO



Thursday 28th June

Prep - Yr 2 5:00pm to 6:15pm (6:15pm sausage/popper)

Yr 3 - Yr 6 6:30pm to 7:45pm (6:00pm sausage/popper)

\$5 Entry

(Includes sausage in bread and popper. Extra sausage in bread \$2)

- * Warm pyjamas
- * Slippers/shoes
- * Bath robes
- * Onesies

* Thongs



TICKETS AVAILABLE 8:30AM - 8:40AM
TUCKSHOP AREA WEEKS 10 & 11

Our Student Council is inviting you to

- ♦ wear red
 - ♦ donate a gold coin
- to support

Red Nose Day

Friday
29th June

sids and kids®

This Term, Year 3 have investigated the movement of the Earth in relation to the sun, and how this causes everyday events such as day and night, sunrise and sunset. We have also investigated changes in our shadows and explained this using our new Scientific knowledge. Before we commenced the unit we made some predictions about day and night.

Our **PRIOR BELIEFS** About How We Get Day and Night:

- ♦ The sun gets covered up from the clouds.
- ♦ The moon comes at night and the sun comes at day.
- ♦ The sun hides behind the moon.
- ♦ At night we are facing the moon.
- ♦ I know that half of the world is night and the other half is day.

What We Know Now:

Earth spins around the imaginary axis in the middle of the Earth. We have another line around the Earth called the Equator.

Sharljia Tildora

Sunrise is when the Earth is rotating. It takes 24 hours to make one rotation. Sunset is when the sun looks like it is going down. If you think that you are wrong - the Earth is rotating. *Noah Eastwood*

The sun appears to come up from the East - right in front of us. It appears that the sun goes over us, but we are actually turning - that makes day and night. The sun looks like it is going over us but we are actually turning. *Monty Lennox*

When we have night we are not facing the sun light. We are rotating anti-clockwise or rotating towards the sun and then we are in daytime. On the other side of the Earth, half the people are asleep. When we have night and we are asleep, the other side of the Earth is awake. *Logan Edmonds*

The day and night cycle is caused by the Earth rotating on its axis. The Earth is solid meaning it casts a shadow. So the same as a building, it can never have both sides lightened up by the sun. In June, the southern hemisphere has shorter days than the northern hemisphere, because the tilt makes it so that part of the Earth is further away than the other. *Damien Lee*

The length of the shadow in the morning is long. The sun is on the left side of us, the shadow is on the right side. At midday, the length of the shadow is short. The sun is above. In the middle is our shadow.

Matt Page

When the sun is on top of you (above) you have a short shadow and when the sun is at the side of you, you have a long shadow.

Cheyenne Harding

CHALLENGE QUESTION: Is the moon only there at night? Have a look!

Erin Serdar - Year 3 Teacher

CELEBRATE SUCCESS ON PARADE

WHOLE SCHOOL PARADE - PREP-YEAR 6
Every Monday - 9:00am-9:30am - School Hall

Student of the Week Recipients

PB - Sophie-Rose Moulding	3S - Hanna Fairchild
PK - Bodhi Bailey	4E - Charlie Britton
1EM - Izack Brainwood	4N - Esther Semple
1SM - Chloe Fairchild	4/5R - Rihana Miles-Ayoub
1/2B - Mindi Morgan	5C - Kye Synnerdahl-Webb
2M - Andrew Lee	5M - Chloe Jamieson
2SV - Charlie Spiteri	5/6M - Jayden Wilby-Curnow
2/3T - Angus Sindel	6G - Jake-Olive Wellington
2-4H - Ryan Wood	6M - The Class of 6M
3K - Charlie Oliver	HEALTH & PE
STRINGS - Mily Jalass 5M	Jnr: Jay Stumer
	Snr: Jake Harrold

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Operation 'Rimau' Singapore 1944



Members of Operation Rimau after the successful completion of their mission.
From front (L-R): Andrew Chan, Colin Chan, Andrew Chan, James Wang, Roger Hill, Terry Morris,
David Hunt, L-R: Alan Burgess, Douglas Smith, Les Jones, Harry Hutton.

The Hervey Bay RSL Sub-Branch
will hold a
Commemoration Service
at the
KRAIT Memorial
at Dayman Park, Usangan,
Sunday 8th July 2018
commencing at
10:00am

Should you wish to lay a wreath
please advise the Sub-Branch Office by
Wednesday, 4th July, 2018

Register Now!

nab AFL Auskick

Pialba State School

Register now for NAB AFL Auskick at Pialba State School!

PRICE \$30

*** FIRST ASSISTANCE & TOWN & TRY SESSIONS:**

- Please note registration is not required for the "Town & Try Session".
- Kids must be turning at least 5 in calendar year to participate & registrations are accepted anytime.
- Please note this session only accepts online payments (No Cash, Cheques)
- Search "Pialba 35" online
- AFL's smallest club open from February!

Dates: Thursday 7th of June 2018 From "Town & Try Session"

Times: 3:00pm till 4:00pm (after school)

Cost: \$30.00

Length: 5 x 1 hour sessions

Venue: Pialba State School Oval

Contact: Kyle Powell on 0830 519 428 or kyle.powell@nab.com.au

Register & Pay Online at: play.afl/auskick

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